

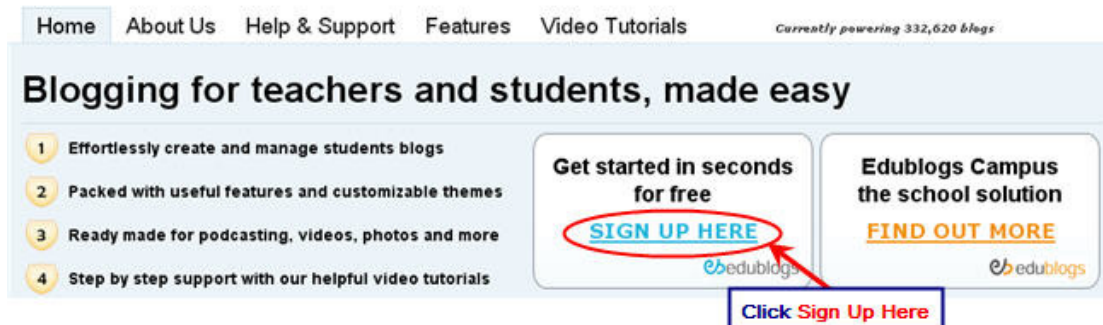
Signing Up For Your Blog

Edublogs are completely free, and come with 20MB of free upload space (easily extended to 5 GB as an Edublogs Supporter - <http://edublogs.org/supporter/>) and a heap of great features designed specifically to support the educational community.



To sign up for an Edublogs blog:

1. Go to Edublogs.org (<http://edublogs.org/>)
2. Click on the 'Sign up for Free' button



3. This takes you to the Edublogs sign up page (<http://edublogs.org/wp-signup.php>) where you need to enter your desired username, email address, tick you agree to TOS (terms of Service) and then click Next.

Tips:

- You will be sent an activation email once your account is created. This email normally arrives within 30 minutes.
- You have 48 hours to click on the link in the email to activate your blog otherwise you will need to reset up your account.
- Spam filters, especially strict ones for institutional email addresses, often block these activation emails. If unsure use free webmail accounts such as gmail, hotmail that don't block these activation emails.
- Use only lowercase letters and numbers, with no spaces, in your username
- Your username is what you use to sign into your blog dashboard and is displayed on posts and comments you write. You can't change your username; you can change what name is displayed (<http://theedublogger.edublogs.org/2008/02/09/changing-your-display-name-and-setting-up-your-comment-avatar/>)

Get your own Edublogs.org account in seconds

Username: Add your username in lowercase with no spaces 1
(Must be at least 4 characters, letters and numbers only.)

Email Address: Add your email address 2
We'll send your password to this address, so triple-check it.
Also, if you have a free email account (e.g., gmail, yahoo, hotmail etc.) please use that instead of an institutional email (some school spam filters can be a bit too strict!)

TOs: ☐ professors, administrators, corporate trainers and anyone else involved in education, by ticking the box below you agree that you fall into one of these groups.
As a member of Edublogs you may also be contacted by us from time to time with information about the site, maintenance, extra features and so on. We will categorically never share your email or any other details with any third party.

I Agree: ☒ Tick to agree to Terms of Service 3

☒ Gimme a blog! Use this option to create a blog 4
☐ Just a username, please.

- On the next page enter your blog domain (i.e. blog URL), blog title, select your preferred language, select your blog type and click Signup.

Tips:

- Use only lowercase letters and numbers, with no spaces, in your blog URL
- Blog URLs can't be changed once created
- Use a blog URL that reflects what your blog is about and is unique
- Keep in mind people need to be able to remember and easily type your blog URL into their browser – where possible try to keep your blog URL short but meaningful
- Don't stress too much about your blog title as this can be changed any time.

The screenshot shows the Edublogs.org signup form with five numbered annotations:

- 1**: Points to the "Blog Domain" field containing "suewaters.edublogs.org/". A callout box says: "Add your blog URL in lowercase with no spaces".
- 2**: Points to the "Blog Title" field containing "Sue Waters Blog". A callout box says: "Add your blog title".
- 3**: Points to the "Language" dropdown menu set to "English". A callout box says: "Select your language".
- 4**: Points to the "Blog Type" dropdown menu set to "Teacher". A callout box says: "Select your blog type".
- 5**: Points to the "Signup »" button. A callout box says: "Click Signup".

Other form fields include "Privacy" (radio buttons for "Yes" and "No") and a note: "(Your address will be domain.edublogs.org/. Must be at least 4 characters, letters and choose carefully!)"

- Next you should see a page with your blog title and instructions to check your email inbox. This email should arrive within 30 minutes.

Congratulations! Your new blog, Sue Waters Blog, is almost ready.

But, before you can start using your blog, **you must activate it.**

Check your inbox at suewater+@gmail.com and click the link given. It should arrive within 30 minutes.

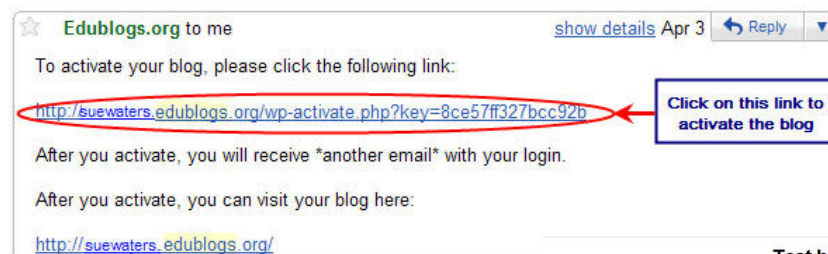
If you do not activate your blog within two days, you will have to sign up again.

Still waiting for your email?

If you haven't received your email yet, there are a number of things you can do:

- Wait a little longer. Sometimes delivery of email can be delayed by processes outside of our control.
- Check the junk email or spam folder of your email client. Sometimes emails wind up there by mistake.
- Have you entered your email correctly? We think it's suewater+900@gmail.com but if you've entered

- Click on the link in the email to activate your account.



- This activates your account and takes you to the activation page on your blog.

- You should also receive another email with your username, password and login details which you use to log into your blog dashboard.

